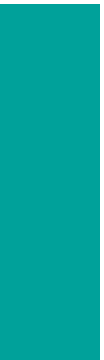
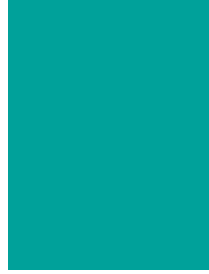


# TOGETHER A HEALTHIER FUTURE



## Pennine Lancashire Transformation Programme

# THE RED BAG RELAY



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- A distinctive red bag with “Together a healthier future” emblazoned on the front
- Accompanying care home residents, when they are admitted to hospital.
- This is because, now when a decision is made for a care home resident to go to hospital, the care home has packed a red bag to go with the resident.



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- Accompanies the care home resident from admission, at, and with discharge back to the care home.
- Holds all the essential belongings and documents that a care home resident and hospital staff need when a patient is admitted to hospital.
- Contents are day of discharge clothes, toiletries and personal aids (ie glasses, hearing aids etc), and medication.
- 6 'must have' documents: (1) Residents Assessment Form (2) CARES escalation record (3) MAR Sheet (4) This is me leaflet (5) Checklist, and (6) Medicines hospital admission checklist.
- The red bag is convenient, easily identifiable and portable.



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# THE JOURNEY OF BETTY AND THE RED BAG



**1:** Betty has become unwell and so Jenny (the Care Home Lead) does an assessment of Betty's condition, liaises with the appropriate service and a decision is made that Betty needs to go to hospital.



**2:** While waiting for the ambulance, Jenny packs a Red Bag to go with Betty to the hospital.

## What goes into the Red Bag?

### Personal belongings:

- Day of discharge clothes
- Toiletries
- Personal aids

### Medication as required

### Standardised papers:

- Residents Assessment Form
- CARES Escalation Record
- MAR Sheet
- This Is Me leaflet
- Checklist
- Medicines Hospital Admission Checklist



**4:** At hospital, Maria (the nurse) receives the Red Bag from the ambulance crew. The Red Bag identifies Betty as a Care Home resident, and the completed paperwork inside helps her understand Betty's medical background.



**3:** The Red Bag is given to the ambulance crew as part of the handover.



**5:** Ward staff will contact the care home within 48 hours of admission and discuss the patient's care and future discharge.



**6:** Betty's Red Bag is packed and ready for her return to the Care Home.

## What goes into the Red Bag?

### Personal belongings:

- Clothes
- Toiletries
- Personal aids

### Medication/TTOS

### Standardised papers:

- Residents Assessment Form
- CARES Escalation Record
- Summary of discharge information
- This Is Me leaflet
- Checklist
- Medicines Hospital Admission Checklist



**7:** When Betty arrives home, Jenny updates their records with the papers and medication received back in the Red Bag. Jenny has contacted Betty's GP to make her aware of the episode.



**8:** Betty is now back in her favourite chair and enjoying a cup of tea.



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- This is a pilot and we will evaluate everyone's experience of it.
- We anticipate that initially there will be very small numbers of residents which will make the pilot manageable for everyone.
- Following evaluation, lessons shared or learned, and any tweaks, we will roll the scheme out to all Care Homes in Pennine Lancashire



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[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Slx37\\_a0-40](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Slx37_a0-40)

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Any questions?

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